

## II. SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please delete<sup>✓</sup> the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 1.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 24 through line 25 as rewritten below:

D<sup>1</sup> Figure 7d illustrates a ~~third~~-sixth embodiment of the tunable capacitor in accordance with the invention,

Please replace<sup>✓</sup> the paragraph beginning on page 16, lines 1 through 3 as rewritten below:

D<sup>2</sup> In a preferred embodiment the gap 12 between the capacitor electrodes 8 and 11 is an air gap. ~~The~~<sup>is</sup> ~~A~~ second dielectric layer 7 is advantageously used as a sacrificial layer in creating the air gap 12.

Please delete<sup>✓</sup> page 18.